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MEMORANDUM FOR: GPP

SUBJECT: PSB Staff Meeting, 24 August 1953

25X1A 1. [REDACTED] will join Mr. Lodge in New York starting 8 September and stay through October. Question immediately arose as to who would provide the money and Walter Schwinn immediately announced State could not help. Godel suggested a letter from C.D. to General Smith asking that [REDACTED] made available would be the proper way to handle it. (Passed to Miss [REDACTED])

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2. Agenda:

25X1A a. Memo on Radio Facilities to China and Korea: there will be a preliminary meeting on this in C.D.'s office this afternoon to get an overall coordinator for the overt assets. (Understand from [REDACTED] are representing us.

25X1A b. PSB D-45: Letter in from Reuters on West Berlin unemployed. President Eisenhower has it, and nothing can be done on it at this time. There is also a letter in from Adenauer on clothing (State telegram #654, 14 August, Bonn, which I have requested but which our people say we have not received) on clothing. State will bring it up at the Wednesday meeting. (I'll have a copy of cable from State soon as possible.)

c. Memo from [REDACTED] dated 14 August on Food Drop.

3. General Smith suggested to C.D. that the Board also discuss handling of non-repatriate POWs (Chinese and North Koreans). Godel and Schwinn say there is nothing to be done on this point.

25X1A 4. Estimate on prestige of US abroad: [REDACTED] thinks the CIA deadline is today (spoke to Mr. Long and he thinks it's around one 1 September). [REDACTED] office is handling this for us. [REDACTED] says that on Wednesday he will ask General Cabell how our end of it is coming along. PSB's deadline for sending its paper on this subject to NSC is 17 September.

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5. D-23: Body will be changed to match the new summary (copy attached). Tentatively set for the agenda of Wednesday, 2 September.

6. Reorganization: Nothing definite one way or another. Godel reports he went to California and back in company of Brownell and Rankin and they could not make any definite statement.

7. Just as I was leaving the meeting, [redacted] asked me if Ted Streibert, new Chief of USIA, could sit in on discussion of [redacted] memo on Food Drops (paragraph 2g above). I checked our office and learned our clearance on [redacted] has come through. After discussions with [redacted] and [redacted] (SE), I informed [redacted] it was all right.

8. Agenda had to be revised after the meeting. Will hand carry agenda soon as it arrives or attach it if it arrives before delivery of this memo.

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